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The following items were adopted at the January 28, 1999, Commission meeting and released later that day.

## NEWS RELEASES

\*\*COMMON CARRIER ACTION - FCC ISSUES REPORT ON THE DEPLOYMENT OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY TO ALL AMERICANS - REPORT NO. CC 99-1 (CC DOCKET NO. 98-146). The Commission approved a report on the current availability of advanced telecommunications capability to all Americans. The Commission prepared this report pursuant to section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Action by the Commission January 28, 1999, by Report (FCC 99-5). Adopted: January 28, 1999. CCB Contact: John Berresford at (202) 418-1886; News Media Contact: Emily Hoffnar at (202) 418-0253. Internet URL:

[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common\\_Carrier/News\\_Releases/1999/nrcc9004.html](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1999/nrcc9004.html)

MASS MEDIA ACTION - FCC PROPOSES LICENSED LOW POWER FM RADIO; SEEKS COMMENT ON ENGINEERING, SERVICE RULES FOR NEW SYSTEM - REPORT NO. MM 99-1 (MM DOCKET 95-25). The FCC proposed to license new 1000 watt low power FM (LPRM) radio stations, and sought comment on also establishing a third "microradio" class at power levels from 1-10 watts. Action by the Commission January 29, 1999, by Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 99-6). Adopted: January 28, 1999. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. MMB Contact: Keith Larson at (202) 418-2600; Bruce Romano, Paul Gordan at (202) 418-2120. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/News\\_Releases/1999/nrmm9003.html](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/News_Releases/1999/nrmm9003.html)

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The following items are dated for and released on January 29, 1999:

## NEWS RELEASES

FCC SECRETARY ANNOUNCES IMPROVED TELEPHONE RESPONSE SYSTEM. OMD. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/News\\_Releases/1999/nrmc9002.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/News_Releases/1999/nrmc9002.wp)

FCC FILINGS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Filings/fl990129.html>

FCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Calendar/c1990129.html>

OPEN PROCEEDINGS. OPA Contact: Martha Contee, Public Service Division at (202) 418-0260; TTY: (202) 418-2555. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Open\\_Proceedings/op990129.html](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Open_Proceedings/op990129.html)

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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Report No: CCB/CPD-99-3. Released: January 29, 1999. PROTESTED TARIFF TRANSMITTALS ACTIONS TAKEN. (DA No. 99-260). Contact: Judith A. Nitsche at (202) 418-1540. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common\\_Carrier/Public\\_Notices/1999/da990260.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da990260.wp)

Released: January 29, 1999. COMMENTS SOUGHT ON UPDATE OF COST ALLOCATION MANUAL. On January 21, 1999, the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) filed an annual update to its Cost Allocation Manual (CAM) for the year ended December 31, 1998. Among other things, the updated CAM reflects additional activity centers created for services provided to the Universal Service Administration Company and Independent NECA Services, Inc. (INS). Comments due March 1; replies March 15. (DA No. 99-251). Contact: Mark Stephens at (202) 418-0810; TTY: (202) 418-0484.

Report No: 44418. Released: January 29, 1999. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Public\\_Notices/Brdcst\\_Actions/ac990129.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Actions/ac990129.txt)

Report No: 24418. Released: January 29, 1999. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Public\\_Notices/Brdcst\\_Applications/ap990129.txt](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap990129.txt)

Report No: 2314. Released: January 29, 1999. PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND CLARIFICATION OF ACTION IN RULEMAKING PROCEEDINGS. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public\\_Notices/1999/pnmc9005.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/1999/pnmc9005.wp)

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FALCON CABLEVISION. Granted complaint filed against Falcon Cablevision's October 31, 1998, cable programming service tier rate increase in Malibu, California. Action by Asst. Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division. Adopted: January 26, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-246). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1999/da990246.wp>

PRIME COMMUNICATIONS-POTOMAC D/B/A CABLE TV MONTGOMERY. Denied complaints filed against Prime Communications-Potomac d/b/a Cable TV Montgomery's July 1, 1998, rate increase for cable programming service tier in multiple communities in Montgomery County, MD. Action by Asst. Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division. Adopted: January 26, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-248). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1999/da990248.wp>

ADELPHIA CABLE PARTNERS, L.P. D/B/A ADELPHIA CABLE COMMUNICATIONS. Denied complaint filed against Adelphia Cable Partners, L.P. d/b/a Adelphia Cable Communications' June 1, 1998, rate change for cable programming services tier in Liberty City, Florida. Action by Asst. Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division. Adopted: January 26, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-247). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1999/da990247.wp>

BREWSTER, MA. Amended Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules to allot Channel 232A at Brewster, MA, as that community's first local broadcast service; terminated proceeding. Dkt No.: MM- 98-58. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: January 20, 1999. by

R&O. (DA No. 99-241). MMB Internet URL:

[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Orders/1999/da990241.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/da990241.wp)

SPENCER AND WEBSTER, MA. Amended Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules to reallocate Channel 255A from Webster, MA to Spencer, MA and modify the license for Station WXXW accordingly; terminated proceeding. Dkt No.: MM- 98-174. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: January 20, 1999. by R&O. (DA No. 99-240). MMB Internet URL:

[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Orders/1999/da990240.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/da990240.wp)

ST. MARYS, WV; MANSON, WA; SMITH MILLS, KY. Amended Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules to: 1) allot Channel 287A at St. Marys, West Virginia, as the community's second local FM transmission service; 2) allot Channel 234C3 at Manson, Washington, as the community's first local aural transmission service; 3) allot Channel 233A at Smith Mills, Kentucky, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Terminated proceedings. Dkt No.: MM- 97-245, MM- 98-3, MM- 98-19. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: January 20, 1999. by R&O. (DA No. 99-243). MMB Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Orders/1999/da990243.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/da990243.wp)

JOLIET, COLUMBIA FALLS, NEIHART, BELT, LOCKWOOD, AND FLORENCE, MONTANA; PALACIOS AND EDEN, TEXAS; WASHBURN AND ASHLAND, WISCONSIN; PERRY, FLORIDA. Proposed amending the FM Table to do allot: 1) Channel 259C3 at Joliet, Montana; 2) Channel 252A at Palacios, TX; 3) Channel 276C3 at Columbia Falls, Montana; 4) Channel 246C2 at Neihart, Montana; 5) Channel 283A at Eden, TX; 6) Channel 269A at Belt, Montana; 7) Channel 284A at Washburn, WI, and Channel 275A at Ashland, WI, and reserve the channels for noncommercial educational use; 8) Channel 294A to Lockwood, Montana; 9) Channel 278A at Florence, Montana; 10) Channel 299C3 at Perry, FL. Comments due March 22; replies April 6. Dkt No.: MM- 99-12, th, MM- 99-22. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: January 13, 1999. by NPRM. (DA No. 99-180). MMB Contact: Kathleen Scheuerle at (202) 418-2180. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Notices/1999/da990180.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1999/da990180.wp)

**ADDENDA: The following items, released January 28, 1999, did not appear in Digest No. 18:**

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### NEWS RELEASES

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COMMON CARRIER ACTION - COMMISSION RESOLVES PAYPHONE COMPENSATION ISSUES ON REMAND - REPORT NO. CC 99-2 (CC DOCKET 96-128). The Federal Communications Commission adopted an order addressing payphone compensation issues remanded by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, resolving compensation issues for so-called "dial-around" calls, which allow a consumer to use a long distance carrier other than the payphone's presubscribed carrier. Action by the Commission January 28, 1999 by Third Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration of Second Report and Order (FCC 99-7). CCB Contact: Glenn Reynolds at (202) 418-0960; News media contact: Emily Hoffnar at (202) 418-0253; TTY: (202) 418-0485. Internet URL:

[https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common\\_Carrier/News\\_Releases/1999/nrcc9005.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1999/nrcc9005.wp)

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### PUBLIC NOTICES

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Released: January 28, 1999. FCC ANNOUNCES THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING COUNCIL (CC DOCKET NO. 92-237). The next meeting of the North American Numbering Council will be held February 17 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and February 18 from 8:30 a.m. until noon at

the FCC, 445 12th Street, S.W. Room TW-C305. (DA No. 99-254). Contact: Linda Simms, Administrative Assistant of the NANC at (202) 418-2330 or Jeannie Grimes at (202) 418-2313. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common\\_Carrier/Public\\_Notices/1999/da990254.html](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da990254.html)

Released: January 28, 1999. UNITED STATES ITU-R STUDY GROUP 11 - TELEVISION BROADCASTING - MEETING NOTICE. Contact: John W. Reiser at (202) 418-2155. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public\\_Notices/1999/pnin9018.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public_Notices/1999/pnin9018.wp)

Report No: CWS-99-20. Released: January 28, 1999. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS INFORMATION.

Released: January 28, 1999. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU UPGRADES THE UNIVERSAL LICENSING SYSTEM (ULS) TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN) REGISTRATION PROCESS EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 1999. (DA No. 99-256). Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public\\_Notices/1999/da990256.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1999/da990256.wp)

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ANCILLARY OR SUPPLEMENTARY USE OF DIGITAL TELEVISION CAPACITY BY NONCOMMERCIAL LICENSEES. Granted Motion for Extension of Time filed in MM Docket No. 98-203 by the Association of America's Public Television Stations; extended time for filing comments in this proceeding to February 16 and extended time for filing reply comments to March 16. Dkt No.: MM- 98-203. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: January 28, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-255). MMB Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass\\_Media/Orders/1999/da990255.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/da990255.wp)

NAVL, INC. Denied NAVL, Inc.'s request for confidential treatment of information contained in Exhibit C of the FCC Form 175 application of NAVL, Inc. in the location and Monitoring auction. Action by Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division. by Letter. (DA No. 99-242). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/da990242.wp>

**ADDENDA: The following items, released January 27, 1999, did not appear in Digest No. 17:**

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Report No: CCB/CPD 99-2. Released: January 27, 1999. PROTESTED TARIFF TRANSMITTALS ACTIONS TAKEN. (DA No. 99-239). Contact: Judith A. Nitsche at (202) 418-1540. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common\\_Carrier/Public\\_Notices/1999/da990239.wp](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da990239.wp)

Report No: 3667. Released: January 27, 1999. CABLE SERVICES ACTION.

Report No: 137. Released: January 27, 1999. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU SITE-BY-SITE ACTION. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public\\_Notices/1999/pnw19019.pdf](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1999/pnw19019.pdf)

Report No: 136. Released: January 27, 1999. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU MARKET-BASED APPLICATIONS ACTION. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public\\_Notices/1999/pnw19018.pdf](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1999/pnw19018.pdf)

